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# IN THE FIRST COURT OF APPEALS HOUSTON, TEXAS

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## SUNIL KUMAR MEHTA AND MEHTA INVESTMENTS, LTD.,

Defendants-Appellants

v.

#### MOHAMMED AHMED

Plaintiff-Appellee

Appeal from the 295th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. 2017-84654

## UNOPPOSED MOTION TO RESCHEDULE ORAL ARGUMENT

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## TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE FIRST COURT OF APPEALS:

Appellee, Mohammed Ahmed, pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 10.5(c), files this Unopposed Motion to Reschedule Oral Argument. In support of its motion, Appellee would respectfully show the Court as follows:

- 1. This Court very recently set this matter for oral argument on May 26, 2022.
- 2. Marc James Ayers is the appellate counsel for Appellee. Mr. Ayers will be arguing this appeal on Appellee's behalf.
- 3. Sufficient cause exists to reschedule oral argument because Mr. Ayers has a pre-paid, non-refundable international family vacation to London scheduled for May 24, 2022 through May 31, 2022. *See* Tex. R. App. P. 10.5(c). This vacation is actually to celebrate the Ayers' 20th anniversary (in fact, May 26 is their anniversary date) and the graduation of their oldest child.
- 4. Mr. Ayers has conferred with opposing appellate counsel (Roger Townsend) regarding rescheduling oral argument. Opposing counsel is willing to reschedule the argument on two conditions: (1) that it be argued before the same panel; and (2) that the argument be held at an earlier date in May or no later than the last week of June (the 27th through July 1). But as indicated on his "vacation letter" filed on January 20, Mr. Townsend will be unavailable from June 1 through June 22. Likewise,

Mr. Ayers would be available to argue this important case on any day between May 2 and May 20, or any day in the last week of June.

5. A review of this Court's website indicates that it might have openings to accommodate oral argument on either May 12 or 19.

## Request for Relief

Appellee, Mohammed Ahmed, requests that this Court grant Appellee's Unopposed Motion and reschedule oral argument to either (i) some date between May 2 and May 20, or (ii) the last week of June 2022.

Dated: April 11, 2022.

## Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Marc James Ayers

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## **CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

As required by Tex. R. App. P. 10.1(a)(5), I certify that I have conferred with Roger Townsend, attorney for Appellants. Mr. Townsend is not opposed to the relief requested, as reflected above.

/s/ Marc James Ayers
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on April 11, 2022, the undersigned filed a copy of the foregoing via the Court's electronic filing system:

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